

We claim:

1. A container for a product intended for dissolution in a liquid, comprising:

5 a sealed pouch made of a material that is soluble in said liquid;

a product contained in the pouch; and

a gas contained in the pouch in sufficient quantity to cause the pouch to be resilient at ambient conditions.

10 2. The container of claim 1, wherein the liquid is water, the material is water soluble and the gas is air.

3. The container of claim 2, wherein the pouch is made of polyvinyl alcohol.

4. The container of claim 2, wherein the product is a powder.

5. The container of claim 2, wherein the product is a liquid.

15 6. The container of claim 2, wherein said gas is pressurized to at least 1-2 psig.

7. A process for filling and pressurizing a water-soluble pouch comprising the following steps:

(a) forming a pouch with a water-soluble material;

(b) filling the pouch with a product; and

5 (c) pressurizing the pouch to a relative pressure sufficient quantity to cause the pouch to be resilient at ambient conditions.

8. The process of claim 7, wherein the pouch is made of polyvinyl alcohol.

10 9. The process of claim 7, wherein the product is a powder.

10. The process of claim 7, wherein the product is a liquid.

11. The process of claim 7, wherein said pressurizing step is accomplished by puffing a gas into the pouch while sealing the pouch.

15 12. The process of claim 11, wherein said gas is air pressurized to at least 1-2 psig.

13. The process of claim 7, wherein said pressurizing step is accomplished by sealing the pouch while the pouch is in a chamber with an interior pressure greater than an exterior ambient pressure.

5 14. The process of claim 13, wherein said gas is air pressurized to at least 1-2 psig.

15. The process of claim 7, wherein said pressurizing step is accomplished by injecting a gas into the pouch after the pouch is formed and sealed.

10 16. The process of claim 15, wherein said gas is air pressurized to at least 1-2 psig.